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## FCC AND DOL ANNOUNCE SECOND WORKSHOP ON TOWER CLIMBER SAFETY AND TOWER TECHNICIAN APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAM

By this Public Notice, the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) and the Department of Labor's (DOL) Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) and Employment and Training Administration (ETA) announce the date, time, and location of a second workshop on tower climber safety and the Telecommunications Industry Registered Apprenticeship Program (TIRAP). The first joint FCC-DOL workshop on these subjects was held on October 14, 2014.

The upcoming workshop will include panel discussions focusing on:

- Guidance on best practices for improving tower climber safety,
- The comments received in response to OSHA's Request for Information on Communication Tower Safety (OSHA-2014-0018),<sup>3</sup> and
- Adoption of the TIRAP program and telecommunications workforce development.

FCC Chairman Tom Wheeler is scheduled to make remarks.

**Date:** February 11, 2016 **Time:** 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. **Location:** FCC Headquarters

Commission Meeting Room

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A subsequent Public Notice will provide further details about this workshop.

The FCC and the DOL will attempt to accommodate as many attendees as possible; however, admittance will be limited to seating availability. Audio and/or video coverage of the meeting will be provided over the Internet from the FCC's Web page at http://www.fcc.gov/live. Open captioning will be provided for this event. Other reasonable accommodations for people with

<sup>2</sup> https://www.fcc.gov/events/workshop-tower-climber-safety-and-injury-protection

<sup>1</sup> http://www.tirap.org/

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> https://www.federalregister.gov/articles/2015/04/15/2015-08633/communication-tower-safety

disabilities are available upon request. Requests for such accommodations should be submitted via e-mail to fcc504@fcc.gov or by calling the FCC's Consumer & Governmental Affairs Bureau at (202) 418–0530 (voice), (202) 418–0432 (tty). Such requests should include a detailed description of the accommodation needed. In addition, please include a way that the requesting party can be contacted if additional information is needed. Please allow at least five days' advance notice; last-minute requests will be accepted, but may be impossible to fill.

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